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aims to contribute to the development of cultural tourism in the Black Sea region and to promote the cultural role of the port cities.

It will be a timeless institution which would promote the friendship, good relations and cooperation in the fields of culture and tourism among the port cities of the Black Sea and will contribute to the wider urban and regional development efforts in the region.



Establishing the Institution of "Cultural Port"

A new Institution is born...







Cultural Port and the Black Sea

The institution is establishing:

a new vision

The **Black Sea city-ports** had and still have an important role to the transformation of the region's character and citizens mentality.

What is needed?

A **new idea** that will help promoting friendship relations and peace among the city-ports of the Black Sea and their communities, especially during the current political and economical situation.





How the idea was born...

The project "LIMEN" proposed the pilot implementation of a new institution:

"Cultural Port of the Black Sea"



- It is Inspired by the prestigious E.U. Institution of the European Capital
 of Culture, envisioned and initiated 30 years ago by the Greek
 Minister of Culture, Melina Mercouri.
- It can be used as an innovated tool in order to promote the cityports' cultural treasures, with the ultimate aim of supporting the cultural tourism in the area.







Why "Cultural Port" of the Black Sea?

The common cultural heritage: The monuments of the Black Sea ports

- It reflects the history, the social, cultural and economic conditions of the area with common heritage and common history.
- There are living testimonies through the maritime routes.
- It expresses new ideas, values, principals and cultural styles.





The expectations

The proposed **Institution** will:

- Try to establish a permanent cooperation between the city-ports.
- Develop a cultural-tourist-economic-social network.
- Improve the management capacity at regional level.
- Support the SMEs in cultural and tourism industry.
- Preserve cultural diversity.
- Strengthen peace and tolerance among city-ports.
- Improve efficiency, impact and sustainability of policies and programmes in other sectors.
- Train, professionalize and validate different operators.







The main benefits

- Upgrade the regional profile of the Black Sea city-ports.
- Increase competitiveness between the city-ports of the region.
- Improve ways networking through a joint cultural agenda and cultural cohesion and integration.
- Develop of the cohesive cultural tourism idea .
- Enhancement of local community programmes.







The Institution "Cultural Port" of the Black Sea

- Revives this monumental networking.
- Develops the connections between the city-ports and the urban creativity.
- Designs the maritime routes of the Aegean and the Black Sea.

Cultural Ports create urban routes....





The Institution "Cultural Port" of the Black Sea

The initiative would be developed around an **annual** theme.

The **project begins** with:

- Synergy with the major economic (culture & tourism) stakeholder of the area (Organization of the Black Sea Economic Cooperation (BSEC);
- Cooperation with the Local/Regional Authorities;
- Common strategy with the Tourism Associations;
- Targeting decision-makers and executives;
- Creating industry stakeholders.







How "Cultural Port" will be established?

Networking at Local/Regional/ Level

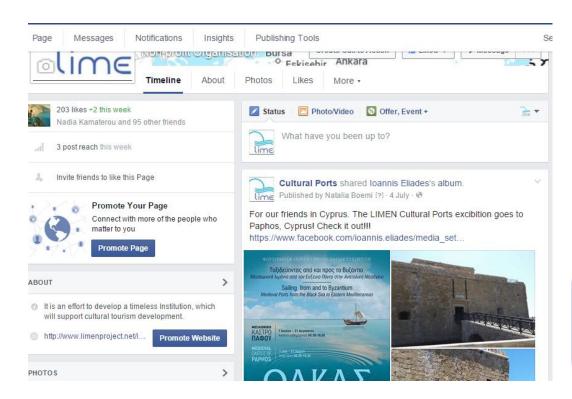
- Local/Regional authorities
- National authorities Ministries/Directorates
- Cultural Organisations (public, private, NGOs)
- Port Authorities
- Tourism Enterprises Associations
- Hotel Associations and Convention Bureaus
- Commercial Chambers
- National Tourism Organisations







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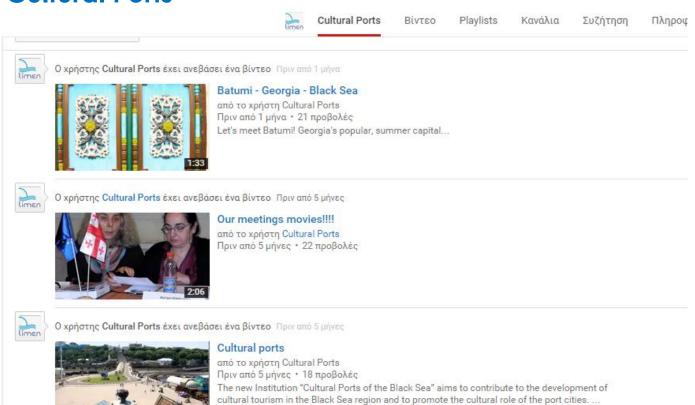








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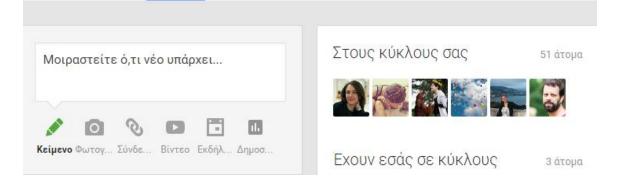




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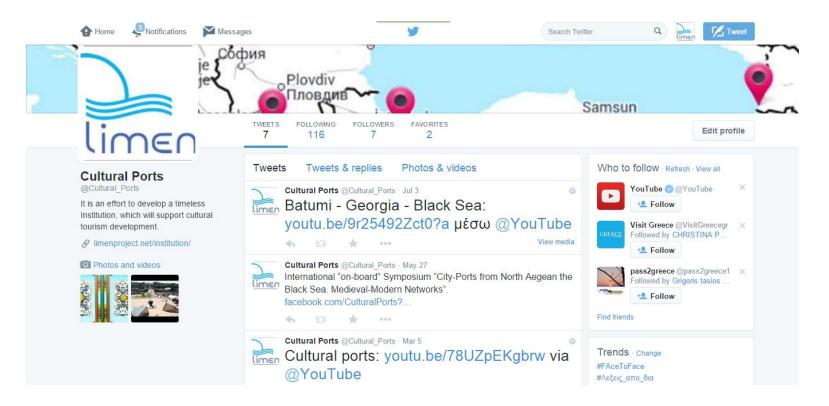








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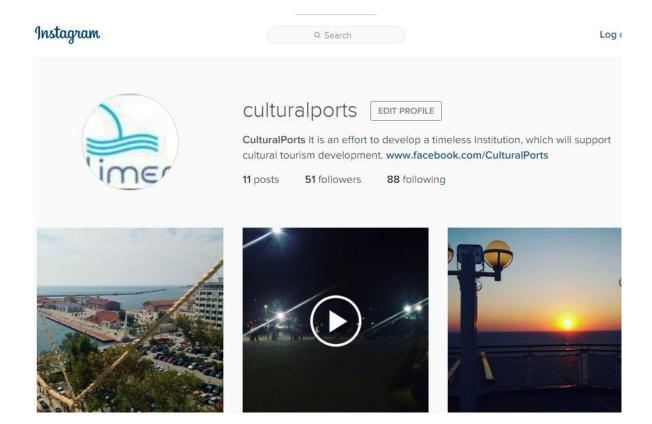








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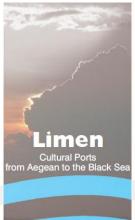


- Meetings and organization/participation in events organized in every city-port with the participation of representatives of local authorities, professionals and experts.
- Photo exhibition on the Black Sea city-ports.
- Lobbying: As a powerful instrument of any marketing strategy, lobbying gets LIMEN project and the establishing of the Institution of the Cultural Ports close to opinion leaders, local/regional/national governments, boards of unions and associations related to tourism and culture and of course, at EU level is already used as the most efficient tool.









Press and media: Journalists are the Institution's major partners via arranging interviews, inviting them to the events, providing their media with press releases to achieve the maximum publicity.







Major Activities

Presentation in Brussels :

In order for the Cultural Port to be established, the proposal is already and will continue to be presented at the European Parliament by arranging meetings with the representatives of the European Union.



Major Activities

The "On-Board Symposium 22-29.08.2015

The Symposium took place on a cruise sailing through the Aegean to the Black Sea during 22-29/08/2015.

It was a major dissemination activity with the participation of major stakeholders and opinion leaders.







CITY PORTS FROM NORTH AEGEAN TO THE BLACK SEA MEDIEVAL - MODERN NETWORKS

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Friday, August 21st, 2015

20.00h

Archaeological Museum of Piraeus: Inauguration of the Exhibition with works of contemporary art organized by the students and professors of the laboratories of Painting (Prof. Giorgos Tsakiris) and of Engraving (Prof. Manolis Giannadakis) of the Dept. of Visual and Applied Arts of the School of Fine Arts of the Aristotle University of Thessaloniki.

A reception will follow at the Museum yard.

Saturday, August 22nd, 2015

Port of Piraeus: Beginning of cruise/ Departure at 20.00h

Sunday, August 23rd, 2015

Volos: Arrival: 08.00h Departure: 18.00h

WALKING TOUR IN THE CITY OF VOLOS

THE SYMPOSIUM PARTICIPANTS CAN ATTEND THE PROGRAMME PROVIDED BY THE TOUR OPERATOR

15:00h -20:00h INTERNATIONAL SYMPOSIUM:

"City-Ports from North Aegean to the Black Sea. Medieval - Modern Nerworks"

Registrations

Beginning of Symposium Works - Welcoming of the participants

SESSION 1. MEDIEVAL NORTH AEGEAN AND BLACK SEA CITY-PORTS. (HISTORY)

In the session, topics related to the history of the medieval North Aegean and Black Sea cityports are included, based on the examination of historical resources.

17:30h -18:00h Coffee Break

SESSION 2: MEDIEVAL NORTH AEGEAN AND BLACK SEA CITY-PORTS (ARCHAEOLOGY-ARCHITECTURE- ART)

In the 2nd session are included topics related to the presentation and interpretation of archaeological data (e.g. excavations, fortifications, standing monuments), or topics on







The Institution "Cultural Port" can be:

- A platform for sharing good practices across the city-ports.
- An umbrella-action for initiatives at cross-border level.
- A proposal for unexplored destinations.
- A key feature to social, cultural and environmental sustainability.
- A vehicle to creativity.
- An instrument for urban development.







The first "Cultural Ports"

From Aegean to the Black Sea...

- Thessaloniki
- Kavala
- Varna
- Constanta
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- Batumi
- Istanbul







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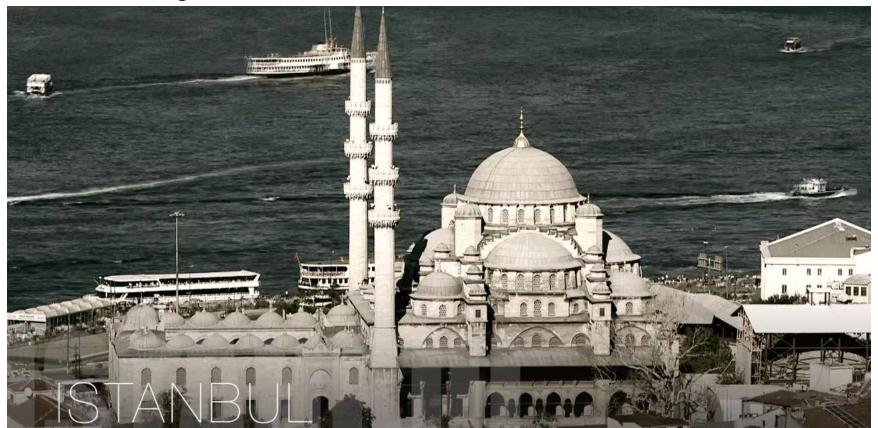






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Support us in this....

- Advocate for the establishment and development of the Institution.
- Promote our messages and our ideas.
- Support the effort.
- Claim to become one of the first Cultural Ports.
- Take advantage of the networking and synergies between the organizations of culture and tourism.
- Sign the common agreement.





Let's move together!!!



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Thank you very much!





